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<b>COMBINED AMENDMENT &amp; PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)</b>					Docket No. INE-0001-C	
In Re Application Of: <b>Jude S. Sauer</b>						
Application No. <b>10/578,542</b>	Filing Date <b>October 3, 2003</b>	Examiner <b>Dawson, Glenn K.</b>	Customer No. <b>23413</b>	Group Art Unit <b>3731</b>	Confirmation No. <b>1340</b>	
Invention: <b>SYSTEM FOR WOUND CLOSURE</b>						
<b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>						
This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>January 19, 2006</u> in the above-identified application. <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><i>Date</i></span>						
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):						
<input type="checkbox"/> One month <input type="checkbox"/> Two months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months <input type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months						
from: <u>April 19, 2006</u> until: <u>July 19, 2006</u> <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>Date</i></span> <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><i>Date</i></span>						
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.						
The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:						
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	7 -	20 =	0	x \$25.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	1 -	3 =	0	x \$100.00	\$0.00	
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00	
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$510.00	
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$510.00</b>	
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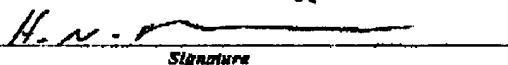
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1130 in the amount of \$510.00
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1130
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 06-1130
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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Dated: July 19, 2006

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